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EWLS, by the

Grace of God, King

of France and Navarre.

To all those which

shal see this presents

Greeting. As a Chri-

stian & Godly Prince

which feareth God, ought to abhorre the

effusion, or shedding of the blood of many

who is created in the Image of God: So

is hee likewise bound and tyed not onely

to shunne the occasions of Civill and Do-

mesticke warre, for to reunite his Subjects,

and to make them live vnder the Lawes of

the

Subiectes, as long as they continued in the respect and submission due to a Sovereigne.

Having vsed Our best endeavour by good demonstrations, and all other possible meanes to prevent the evill, (which could easily be foreseene) before We medled with any forcible or violent courses, which afterwards to Our great griefe We have bin compelled to vse, to preserve Our Royall Dignitie, and the power which God hath granted vnto Vs; and to take away the mistrust and idle shaddowes which were put into their heads by trickes and devises, of Our promise & faith vnto them, which We never haue broken to any; And to stay the mishaps and accidents which are followed, and to shew them besides the designs and ends of the principall Authours and promoters of the disorders, the true ground of Our good and sincere intentions to cherish and preserve them all in Peace, and to let them freely and peaceably enjoy all that which is graunted vnto them by Our Edicts. And likewise seeing that Our layd Subiects of the pretended Reformed Religion,

Religion, haue afterwards gotten better inspirations, and acknowledged their faults, and haue taken their Refuge to Our Clemencie and Bountie, by their most humble Petitions, which they haue sent vnto Vs by expresse Deputies, desiring Vs to graunt them pardon, and to abolish the memorie of all things past, and to receive & hold them hereafter as Our other loyall Subjects, in Our favour and countenance. Wee inclining alwayes rather to Clemencie and Mercifullnesse, then to goe on with rigour, and Our iust Armes; Notwithstanding, that Wee haue advanced much by the same, and were likely to get more.

And having regard vnto their submissions and duties, and being desirous to settle the Peace in Our Kingdome, and to re-vnite all our Subjects in Amitie and Concord amongst themselves, and to cause a generall and vniforme Obeysance to Vs, and for other weightie reasons and considerations moving Vs therevnto. With the advise of the Princes, Dukes, Peeres, Officers of Our Crowne, and the principall Coun-
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cellers of Our State, We have sayd, orday-
ned, and declared, We say, ordayne, and
declare by these Presents, signed by Our
owne hand.

We will and are pleased;

That the Edict of *Nantes*, the Declarati-
ons, and secret Articles which are Re-
gistred in Our Courts of Parliament,
shall be kept in good fayth to Our Sub-
jects of the Pretended Reformed Religion
in all poynts, as they haue well and duly
enjoyed the same in the time of the late
King Our most honoured and renowned
Lord and Father (whom God absolue)
and likewise since Our coming to the
Crown, vntill these troubles happened.

II.

That the exercise of the Catholike Apo-
stolike, and Romaine Religion shall be
settled & established in all places and quar-
ters within this Kingdome, and the Coun-
tries vnder Our obeyfance, where it hath
ceased, and be there freely and peaceably
continued without any trouble, forbidding

directly all persons of what state, qualitie, or condition soever, vpon paine to be punished as infringers of the Peace and perturbators of the common rest and tranquillitie, not to trouble, molest, or disturbe the Clergy in the celebration or doing of Gods service, the enioying, and receiving of the Tenths, fruits, and revenues of their Benefices, and all other rights and duties belonging vnto them.

III.

Likewise the Exercise of the pretended Reformed Religion shall be established in all places where it was exercised, according to our Edict, Declarations and Concessions, or Priviledges. And the seates of Justice, the Burroughs of receipt, and the officers of the Finances or Treasure, shall be established in the same manner in the Townes wherein they were settled before the late troubles began: except the Chamber or Court of Nerac, which shall be established in such a place as We shall thinke fit, after VVe haue heard the Remonstrations of the Deputies or Commissaries of Our Province of *Guienne*.

WE will likewise that all new fortifications of Townes, places, Castles, and Forts, kept by Our sayd Subiects of the pretended reformed Religion, and specially those which are raysed in the Ilands de Re, and Oleran, be quire pulled downe and demolished; the auncient Walles, Towers, Gates, Ditches, & Counterscarps remaining in their former estate: prohibiting the said Citties, or Townes, to make any new fortifications; and vntill the said demolitions shall be performed, some of the principall inhabitants of the Townes shall be delivered as Ostages and Pledges into the hands of such as We shall be pleased to appoint.

v.

AND because the Officers of Our Crown or other deputed Commissioners, may the better execute the contents hereof, following the instructions which shall be given vnto them. Our meaning is, that all the Citties and Townes of the aforesayd pretended Reformed Religion, which within 15. dayes after the publication of these presents, shall submit themselves vnder Our

authoritie, and shall willingly open the gates vnto Vs, shall enjoy the contents of this Declaration.

VE expressly forbid herewithall Our Subjects of the pretended reformed Religion all kind of generall and particular Assemblies, circuits, Counsels, lesser Synods and all other of what qualitie soever they may be, ypon paine of high Treason, vnlesse they haue an expresse permission of vs: being onely permitted vnto them the meetings at their Consistories, Colloquies, and Synods, for meere Ecclesiasticall affayres, expressly prohibiting them to treat of any politike affayres, ypon the penaltie afore sayd.

VI
Our afore said Subjects of the pretended Reformed Religion, shall be discharged of all acts of Hostilitie, of all generall and particular Assemblies, circuits, and of all other things generally, being contained in the Articles 76. & 77. of our Edict of Nantes, since the first of Ianuary. 1621. vntill this present: therein not comprehending the execrable

crable cases which are specified, and declared in the 86. Article of the sayd Edict, of which the Iudges may determine as the matter shall require if any complaine.

VIII.

ANd concerning that which is happened at the Towne of *Privas*, We will it to be abolished particularly to the Inhabitants of the sayd place, and likewise to the Lord of *Brisson*.

IX.

ANd for those which are accomptable, & other Officers touching the dealings of their charges, the Articles 78. and 79. of the sayd Edict of *Nantes*, shall bee entierly kept and observed.

ANd particularly concerning the Iudgements, & Sentences given against those of the sayd Religion which haue borne Armes, they shall be discharged thereof according to the Articles 58. & 59. and 60. of the sayd Edict. So likewise Wee haue strengthened & confirmed, We strengthen and confirme the Iudgements given by the Councells and Iudges, established by the

chiefe Commanders in the Provinces, being it either in civill or criminall matters, and the executions followed thereupon by them of their party, and the sayd Iudges and Councells, are discharged of al pursuit in regard of the same, imposing thereupon a perpetuall silence to Our Procurators or Attournies Generall, their Substitutes, and al them which might pretend any interest therein.

XI.

WE will likewise that all prisoners on both sides which haue payd no ran- some, shall bee delivered and set at liberty without paying any: & all promises made and caused for ransoms which haue not bin accomplished vpon the day & date of these presents, are declared annihilate and of no value or effect, and made such.

XII.

Likewise all persons of what qualitie or condition soever, shalbe reestablished in their goods, debts, titles, & actions, charges, honors, and dignities which haue been taken away by the occasion of these present troubles, notwithstanding any gifts and confis-

confiscatiōs which perhaps haue bin granted; excepted alwaies the warlike Offices which some haue quitted by agreement, or such as We shall be willing to giue recompence.

XIII.

WE ordaine that the present declaration be observed and kept by all Our Subiects, according to the forme or maner as is prescribed by the 82. Article of our Edict of Nantes, & that Commissioners both of the Catholike and of the pretended Reformed Religion be sent through the Provinces, to execute the contents of the same according to Our Edict. Likewise Wee commaund Our beloved & trustie Counsellours, Our Courts of Parliament, Our Courts of the Edict, all Pailifs Seneschals, or their Lieutenants, and all Our other Iustices and Officers vnto which it shall belong, that they cause these Presents to bee read, published and registred euery one in his quarter or place, and the contents of the same to be inuiolably kept and observed, according to the forme & tenor without contradicting or suffering any contradiction.

diction to be made in what maner soever.
 We charge Our Procurators or Attornies
 Generall, and their Substitutes to set hand
 thereunto and to vse to the same effect all
 their best endeavours and aydes required
 vnto the same. For such is Our pleasure.
 In witnesse whereof, We haue caused Our
 Scale to be affixed on these presents. Given
 in the Campe before *Mompellier*, the nine-
 teene day of October, in the yeare of
 Grace 1622. and of Our Raigne the
 thirteene.

It was Signed *Levis*,

And lower by the Kings Command,
de Lomenie.

Then sealed with yeallow waxe
 vpon a double rayle.

FINIS.



O v i s par la grace de Dieu
 Roy de France et de Navarre.
 A tous ceux qui ces presentes
 lettres verront, Salut. Comme
 tout Prince Chrestien et craig-
 nant Dieu doit avoir en horreur
 l'effusiō du sang de l'homme crée
 a l'image du tout puissant, aussi est il tenu et obligē
 non seulement d'eiter les occasions de guerre civile
 et domestique pour revnir et faire vivre ses subiects
 sous les loix de l'Estat en bonne concorde et obeis-
 sance; la mesme bontē Divine qui a cognu no-
 stre coeur, depuis quil luy à pleu nous appeller au re-
 gime et gouvernement de ceste monarchie Francoise,
 est Inge de nostre interieur: Et chacun sçait aussi que
 nos armes ont esté autant iustes que forcées et necessai-
 res pour le soustien et defence de nostre Authorité; soit
 contre ceux qui du commencement sous divers pre-
 textes empruntes, ont excité le trouble durant nostre
 minorité, ou depuis contre nos subiects faisans pro-
 fession de la Religion Pretendue Reformée, abuses et
 surpris de l'artifice d'aucuns d'iceux, qui ont cuide
 profiter autant de leur simplicité, que de la division
 publique de nostre Royanne; ores que nostre inten-
 tion n'ait jamais esté autre(a l'exemple des Roys nos
 prediceurs d'heureuse memoire) que de les mainte-
 nir en bonne paix et vnion dans le devoir et obeissance
 qui nous est due sous le benefice de nos Edits, et de
 les traicter comme nos bons et fidelles subiects, quand
 ils

ils se contiendront dans les termes du respect et sub-
missions qui sont deues au Souuerain; N'ayant espar-
gne aucun office de remonstrance et diligence pour
preuenir le mal qui estoit facile a preuoir, deuant que
d'en venir a la voye de la force, que nous auons esté
contraints à nostre grand regret d'employer pour con-
seruer nostre Royale dignite et le pouuoir que Dieu
nous a mis en main pour leuer les ombrages et mesfi-
ances qui leur ont estes diuersement données avec art
et desseing, de nostre bonne foy, qui n'a onque defail-
lie a personne; et pour empescher les malheurs et acci-
dens qui s'en sont ensuiuus; et leur faire cognoistre auec
les fins des principaux auteurs et fauteurs des desor-
dres publics, le fond veritable de nos droictes et sin-
ceres intentions à les cherir et conseruer tous en bons
repos et iouissance libre et paisible de ce qui leur est
concedé et octroyé par nosdits Edits: Et soit ainsi
que nosdits subiects de la Religion pretendue Refor-
mee, ayant esté depuis mieux inspires, et recognissans
leur faute, en ceste verité ayent eu recours à nostre
clemence et bonté par treshumbles supplications
qu'ils nous ont enuoyes faire par Deputes expres pour
leur octroyer pardon et abolir la memoire des choses
passées, les receuoir et tenir cy apres comme nos au-
tres loyaux subiects en nostre bienueillance; Nous
inclinans tousiours plustost a douceur et misericorde
qu'à pousser plus auant la rigueur et iustice de nos ar-
mes; bien qu'elles nous ayent acquis des auantages
signalez qui seroyent esperer le suite et l'ysue sembla-
ble: Et voulant auoir esgard a leur submissions et de-
noirs, donner la paix a nostre Royaume, et reunir tous
nos subiects en amitie et concorde entre eux, et vne
generale

generale et vnanime obeissance enuers nous, et pour
autres importantes raisons, et considerations a ce nous
mouuans, *Par l'aduis des Princes, Ducs, Pairs, Officiers
de nostre Couronne et Principaux de nostre Conseil,*
Auons dit, ordonné et declaré, disons, ordonnons et
declaron par ces presentes signés de nostre main,
voulons et nous plaist.

Prime.

Que l'Edit de Nantes, Declarations, et Articles se-
crets enregistres en nos cours de Parlement seront de
bonne foy entretenus a nos subiects de la Religion
pretendue Reformée en toutes leurs parties, et comme
ils en ont bien et deuement iouy du temps du feu Roy
nostre treshonoré Seigneur et Pere (que Dieu absolue)
et depuis nostre aduenement a la couronne aupara-
uant ces derniers mouuemens.

2.

Que l'exercice de la Religion Catholique Aposto-
lique et Romaine sera remis et restablí en tous les li-
eux et endroits de ce Royaume et pays de nostre obais-
sance, ou il a esté intermis, pour y estre librement et
paisiblement continué sans aucun trouble, defendant
tres expressement a toutes personnes de quelque estat
qualité or condition qu'ils soyent, sur peine d'estre pu-
nis comme infracteurs de paix et perturbateurs du ru-
pos public, de ne troubler, molester, ny inquieter les
Ecclesiastiques en la celebration du Diuin service, io-
iissances et perception des Dismes, fruits, et reuenus
de

de leurs benefices et tous autres droits le deuoirs que leur appartient.

Comme aussi l'exercice de la Religion pretendue Reformée sera restabli aux lieux ou il estoit suivant nostre Edit, declarations et concessions : et les sieges de Iustice, bureaux de recepte, et officiers de finances seront restablis en mesme estat es villes ou ils estoient establis auant ces derniers mouuemens : hormis la chambre de Nerac qui sera establis en tel lieu que nous auiserons bon estre ; apres auoir entendu les remonstrances des Deputes de nostre prouince de Guyenne.

Voulons aussi que toutes fortifications nouvelles, des villes places chasteaux et forteresses tenues par nos dits subiects de la Religion pretendue Reformée, et specialement celles qui ont esté faites en l'Isle de Rê et Oleron soyent entierement demolies et rasees, demeurans les antiennes, les murailles, tours, portaux, fosses et contrescarpes en leur estat : avec defence a toutes lesdites villes de plus fortifier de nouveau : et que pour l'effect desdites demolitions, l'ostages des principaux habitans desdites villes, seront mis es mains de ceux qui nous plaira d'ordonner pour l'execution dudit rasement.

5.

Afin que les Officiers de nostre couronne ou autres commissaires deputes puissent faire executer le contenu cydessus suivant les instructions qui leur en seront données, entendons que toutes les villes de ladite Religion pretendue Reformée qui dans quinze iours apres la publicatiō des presentes se soumettront a nostre obeissance, et nous ouvriront volontairement les portes, iouissent du contenu de la presente declaration :

6.

Defendons tresexpressément a nosdits subiects de la Religion pretendue Reformée toutes sortes d'Assemblees generales et particulieres, cercles, conseils, abredges de Synodes, et toutes autres de quelques qualites quelles puissent estre, a peine de crime de leze maieſte, s'ils n'ont expresse permission de nous: ainsi seulement leur sont permises les assemblees des Consistoires, Colloques, Synodes, pour pures affaires Ecclesiastiques, avec inhibitions tresexpresses, dy traiter d'aucune affaire politique, sur les peines que dessus.

7.

Demeureront aussi nosdits subiects de la Religion pretendue Reformée, decharges de tous actes d'hostilite, de routes assemblees generales et particulieres, cercles, abredges, et de toutes autres choses generalement quelconques contenues es Articles 76. et 77.

de nostre Edit de Nantes, depuis le premier de Janvier mil six cents vint et vn, iusques a present: en ce non compris les cas execrables tels quils sont specifics declares par l'Article 86. dudit Edit, doit pourra estre fait recherché pardeuant les Iuges auxquels la cognoissance en appartient.

8.

Et pour ce qui est aduenu a prius, nous voulons en estre expediee abolition particuliere aux habitans dudit lieu, ensemble au sieur de Brisson.

9.

Et pour le regard des comptables et autres Officiers en ce qui concerne les charges de leur maniere les articles 78. et 79. dudit Edit de Nantes seront entierement gardés et obserués.

10.

Particulierement pour les Iugemens, Sentences, Arrests, donnees contre ceux de ladite Religion qui ont porte les armes, nous voulons quils en soyent descharges suiuan les articles 58. et 59. et 60. dudit Edit. Comme aussi nous auons valide, et confirmé validons et confirmons les iugemens donnees par les consuls et iuges establis par les chefs commandans aux prouincès soit en matiere civile ou criminelle, et executions ensuiuies entre ceux de leur parti, et lesdits Iuges et conseils descharges de toutes poursuites pour

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pour ce regard, imposant sur ce silence perpetuelle a
nos procureurs generaux, leurs substituts et tous au-
tres qui y pourroyent pretendre interest.

11.

Voulons pareillement que tous prisonniers et de
part et d'autre qui n'auront payé rançon seront de-
liures et mis en liberté sans en payer aucune, et toutes
promesses faites et causees pour rançons qui n'auront
esté acquittées au iour et date des presentes sont de-
clarées nulles et de nul effect, et comme telles ren-
dues.

12.

Comme aussi, toutes personnes de quelque qualite
et condition qu'elles soyent seront restablies en leur
biens, debtes, noms, railons, et actions, charges, hon-
neurs, et dignites qui en ont esté priues a loecasion
de presents troubles, nonobstant tous dons et confis-
cations qui en pourroyent auoir esté expedieés, ex-
cepte de charges militaires, ceux qui en auront traitté
grè a grè, ou auxquels nous voudrons donner recom-
pense.

13.

Ordonnons que l'obseruation de la presente decla-
ration soit entretenue et gardee par tous nos subiects
suiuant et en la forme prescrite par l'article 82. de
nostre Edit de Nantes, et que commissaires Catho-
liques et de ladite Religion pretendue Reformee
seront par nous enuoyes par les prouinces, pour faire
executer

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exceper le contenu en icelle suivant nostre Edit
do nous mandement a nos amés et feaux conseillers
les gens tenans nos cours de parlement, chambres
l'Edit, Baillifs, Seneschaux, ou leurs Lieutenans, ou
tous autres nos Juges et officiers qui appar-
dront, que ces presentes ils fassent lire publier et res-
surer chacun en due foy, et le contenu en icelle gar-
der et observer inviolablement suivant la forme et
teneur sans y contrevenir ny souffrir estre contrainct
en aucune maniere. Enjoignons a nos procureurs
generaux et leurs substituts dy tenir la main, et de
faire pour cest effect toutes instances poursuites
requisitions necessaires, Car tel est nostre plaisir. En
tesmoigne dequoy nous avons fait mettre nostre scel
ces presentes. Donne au camp de Mompellier le
19 iour d'Octobre l'an de grace 1622. et nostre reigné
le 12.

Signé

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Et plus bas par le Roy

De Lomenie,

Es sceles sur double queue de cire iaule.

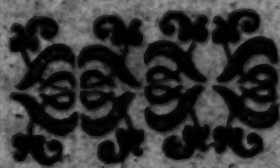
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PRESENTED
VNTO THE FRENCH
KING,

By the Generall Deputies of
the Reformed Churches
of FRANCE.

France
Reformed Churches
Together with his Maiesties
Answers therevnto.



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